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- 1. The Pedro SAAD cell of the Partido Comunista del Ecuador (PCE) held its weekly Friday meeting in Quito on 6 March 1953 in a small cafe operated by ONA (fnu), with Jorge ARELLANO presiding. Among the thirty individuals present were Gonzalo GALINDO, Luis HINOSTROZA, and two brothers whose last name is ONA.
- 2. The meeting lasted for only a half hour. The subject under discussion was the necessity for raising the sum of S/5,000 (approximately \$285.00) for the establishment of a cafe belonging to the cell, in order to improve the financial position of the cell. ARELLANO announced that the money would be raised by the sale of 100 shares at fifty sucres each and that twenty shares had already been sold. He also stated that he had the permission of "El Chivo", Rafael ECHEVERRIA Flores, Secretary-General of the Pichincha Provincial Committee of the PCE, and president of Juventud Comunista in Ecuador. ARELLANO stressed the necessity for the sale of all of the shares prior to the forthcoming national assembly of Juventud Comunista in Quito.
- 3. ARELLANO adjourned the short meeting with a request that all cell members report to the Casa del Partido, Venezuela Avenue #956, on the following day to hear 25X1X "program for action" in the political field.

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- 1. [REDACTED] Comment. El Pueblo, the Quito Communist paper, on 14 March 1953 reported that the First National Conference of Communist Youth was scheduled to meet in Quito from 1 to 5 April 1953.

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